

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-142-WS - ORDER NO. 2008-294

APRIL 16, 2008

IN RE: Application of Goat Island Water and Sewer Co. Inc. for an Increase in its Rates and Charges for the Provision of Water and Sewer Services and Approval of Management Agreement) ORDER DENYING) MOTION AND) GRANTING AND) SUSPENDING REQUEST) TO DISMISS WITH) CONDITIONS
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Motion of Goat Island Water and Sewer Co., Inc. (“Goat Island” or “the Company”) to waive the requirement that all supporting documents be filed contemporaneously with the filing of the Application. The Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) has filed a Response opposing the Motion, and requesting that the Application be dismissed without prejudice.

By way of explanation, Goat Island filed an Application for rate relief, but failed to attach many of the required exhibits, financial and otherwise. However, the Company also filed a Motion for Waiver of the requirement that all supporting documents be filed contemporaneously with the Application. Among other things, the Company pointed out that it was hampered in filing financial information because the Company accountant was involved in the current “tax season.” ORS filed a response, requesting that, because of the missing documents, we dismiss the Application without prejudice. The basis for ORS’ request was that the Application did not contain certain financial information which is

required to allow ORS and the Commission to determine the propriety of the requested change in rates. In other words, ORS requests dismissal without prejudice because the Application is incomplete.

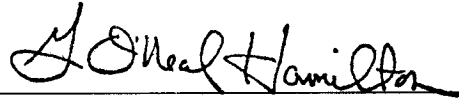
We have examined this matter, and have determined that the Motion for Waiver must be denied, and the request for dismissal without prejudice must be granted, since ORS cannot analyze the validity of the Application without the required financial documents. However, in the interest of fairness, and recognizing the situation with the Company accountant, we suspend the dismissal until the close of Commission business on April 23, 2008. If Goat Island has filed the missing documents in support of the Application by that time, the dismissal will be automatically rescinded by operation of this Order. If Goat Island fails to file the remaining missing exhibits by that time, the dismissal without prejudice will go into effect. If Goat Island files the missing exhibits in support of the Application at any time up to and including April 23, 2008, the six-month time period for issuing an Order in this Docket will begin on the date that the missing exhibits needed to complete the Goat Island Application are officially filed with and accepted as a completed Application by the Commission.

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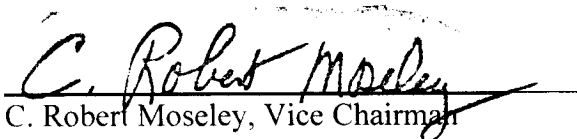
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST.


C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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